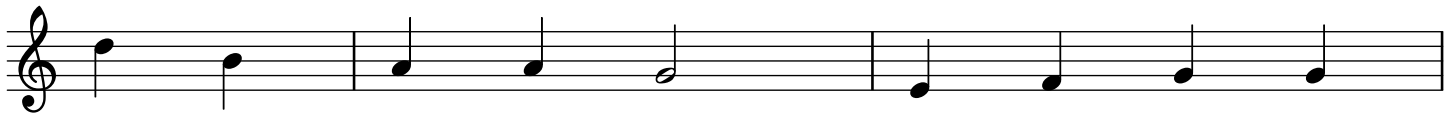


On This Day, the First of Days

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1. On this day, the first of days, God the
2. On this day, th'e - ter - nal Son o - ver
3. O that fer - vent love to - day may in
4. Fa - ther, who cre - a - ted me im - age
5. Ho - ly Word, all prais - es be! You from
6. Ho - ly Spir - it, you im - part gifts to
7. God, the bless - ed Three - in - One, Fa - ther,



1. Fa - ther's name we praise; who, cre - a - tion's
2. death his tri - umph won; on this day the
3. ev - 'ry heart have sway, teach - ing us to
4. of your - self to be, may your grace be
5. sin have set me free; and up - on love's
6. shine in ev - 'ry heart; best of gifts, your -
7. Spir - it, with the Son; one in you with



1. Font and Spring, did the world from dark - ness bring.
2. Spir - it came with the gifts of liv - ing flame.
3. pray a - right God the source of life and light.
4. ev - er mine, fill me with your love di - vine.
5. flame a - rise un - to you a sac - ri - fice.
6. self be - stow; dwell in me your love to know.
7. all a - bove, we send forth our hearts of love.

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